

RECEIVED
CENTRAL FAX CENTER

JUL 28 2006

30 Rockefeller Plaza
New York, NY 10112-4498
(212) 259-2595 (fax)

UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE
FACSIMILE COVER SHEET

Date: July 28, 2006

Fax Number:..... 571-273-8300

cc: 571-273-3225

Pages (including cover sheet)..... 4

Time Sent:..... approx 6 pm.

FACSIMILE:..... (212) 259-2595 (AUTOMATIC-24 hours)

FOR ASSISTANCE:..... (212) 408-2500

ATTN: PAUL SHANOSKI, SENIOR ATTY, OFFICE OF PETITIONS.Re : Application Serial No. 10/663,060

Attached is a Combined Declaration and POA filed on 04-18-2005 in this case.

The POA is made out to "all attorneys associated with Customer Number 21003
[Baker Botts LLP]."

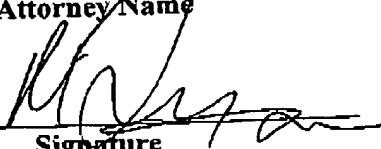
Please let me know if I can call you to discuss your petition holding in this case.

Thank you, Manu Tejwani (212-408-2614)

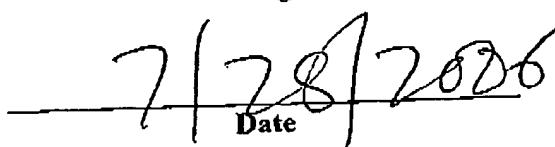
For:

CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE TRANSMISSIONI hereby certify that this paper for Application No. 10/663,060 is being facsimile
transmitted to the Patent and Trademark Office on the date indicated below.Manu J Tejwani

Attorney Name


Signature37,952 (Customer Number 21003)

PTO Reg. No.


Date

COMBINED DECLARATION
AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

JUL 28 2006

(Original, Design, National Stage of PCT, Divisional, Continuation or C-I-P Application)

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:
 My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name; I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled: **HIGH-STRENGTH BOLTED CONNECTION STRUCTURE WITH NO FIRE PROTECTION**

This declaration is of the following type:

original
 design
 national stage of PCT.
 divisional
 continuation of _____, filed _____.
 continuation-in-part (C-I-P)

the specification of which: (complete (a), (b), or (c))

(a) is attached hereto.

(b) was filed as _____ Filed _____

(c) was described and claimed in PCT International Application and was amended on (if applicable).

Acknowledgement of Review of Papers and Duty of Candor

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the patentability of the subject matter claimed in this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations § 1.56.

In compliance with this duty there is attached an information disclosure statement. 37 CFR 1.98.

Priority Claim

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, § 119(a)-(d) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or of any PCT International Application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America listed below and have also identified below any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or any PCT International Application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America filed by me on the same subject matter having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed

(complete (d) or (e))

(d) no such applications have been filed.

(e) such applications have been filed as follows:

NY02:414712.1/

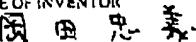
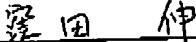
Page 1 of 3

PAGE 2/4 * RCVD AT 7/28/2006 6:22:17 PM [Eastern Daylight Time] * SVR:USPTO-EFXRF-1/3 * DNIS:2738300 * CSID: * DURATION (mm:ss):01:56

under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

RECEIVED
CENTRAL FAX CENTER

JUL 28 2006

| | | | |
|--|--|--|---------------------------------|
| FULL NAME OF SOLE OR FIRST INVENTOR | LAST NAME Okada | FIRST NAME Tadayoshi | MIDDLE NAME |
| RESIDENCE & CITIZENSHIP | CITY Futtsu-shi | STATE or FOREIGN COUNTRY Chiba, Japan | COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP Japan |
| POST OFFICE ADDRESS | POST OFFICE ADDRESS c/o NIPPON STEEL CORPORATION Technical Development Bureau, 20-1, Shintomi, Futtsu-shi, Chiba 293-8511, Japan | | |
| DATE | SIGNATURE OF INVENTOR  | | |
| FULL NAME OF SECOND JOINT INVENTOR, IF ANY | LAST NAME Uno | FIRST NAME Nobuyoshi | MIDDLE NAME |
| RESIDENCE & CITIZENSHIP | CITY Futtsu-shi | STATE or FOREIGN COUNTRY Chiba, Japan | COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP Japan |
| POST OFFICE ADDRESS | POST OFFICE ADDRESS c/o NIPPON STEEL CORPORATION Technical Development Bureau, 20-1, Shintomi, Futtsu-shi, Chiba 293-8511, Japan | | |
| DATE | SIGNATURE OF INVENTOR  | | |
| FULL NAME OF THIRD JOINT INVENTOR, IF ANY | LAST NAME Kubota | FIRST NAME Shin | MIDDLE NAME |
| RESIDENCE & CITIZENSHIP | CITY Chiyoda-ku | STATE or FOREIGN COUNTRY Tokyo, Japan | COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP Japan |
| POST OFFICE ADDRESS | POST OFFICE ADDRESS c/o NIPPON STEEL CORPORATION, 6-3, Otemachi 2-chome, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 100-8071, Japan | | |
| DATE | SIGNATURE OF INVENTOR  | | |
| FULL NAME OF FOURTH JOINT INVENTOR, IF ANY | LAST NAME | FIRST NAME | MIDDLE NAME |
| RESIDENCE & CITIZENSHIP | CITY | STATE or FOREIGN COUNTRY | COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP |
| POST OFFICE ADDRESS | POST OFFICE ADDRESS | | |
| DATE | SIGNATURE OF INVENTOR | | |
| FULL NAME OF FIFTH JOINT INVENTOR, IF ANY | LAST NAME | FIRST NAME | MIDDLE NAME |
| RESIDENCE & CITIZENSHIP | CITY | STATE or FOREIGN COUNTRY | COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP |
| POST OFFICE ADDRESS | POST OFFICE ADDRESS | | |
| DATE | SIGNATURE OF INVENTOR | | |

Check proper box(es) for any added page(s) forming a part of this declaration

- Signature for sixth and subsequent joint inventors. Number of pages added _____.
- Signature by administrator(trix), executor(trix) or legal representative for deceased or incapacitated inventor. Number of pages added _____.
- Signature for inventor who refuses to sign, or cannot be reached, by person authorized under 37 CFR 1.47. Number of pages added _____.

JY02-314712.1

| PRIOR FOREIGN/PCT APPLICATION(S) FILED WITHIN 12 MONTHS (6 MONTHS FOR DESIGN) PRIOR TO SAID APPLICATION | | | |
|---|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|
| COUNTRY | APPLICATION NO. | DATE OF FILING (day, month, year) | DATE OF ISSUE (day, month, year) |
| Japan | 2002-266534 (Pat. Appln.) | 12/September/2002 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES NO <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Japan | 2003-155127 (Pat. Appln.) | 30/May/2003 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES NO <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | | | <input type="checkbox"/> YES NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| ALL FOREIGN APPLICATION(S), IF ANY, FILED MORE THAN 12 MONTHS (6 MONTHS FOR DESIGN) PRIOR TO SAID APPLICATION | | | |
| | | | <input type="checkbox"/> YES NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| | | | <input type="checkbox"/> YES NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| | | | <input type="checkbox"/> YES NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

Claim for Benefit of Prior U.S. Provisional Application(s)

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below:

| Provisional Application Number | Filing Date |
|--------------------------------|-------------|
| | |
| | |
| | |

Claim for Benefit of Earlier U.S./PCT Application(s) under 35 U.S.C. 120

(complete this part only if this is a divisional, continuation or C-I-P application)

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 120 of any United States application(s) or PCT international application(s) designating the United States of America that is/are listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior application(s) in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56 which occurred between the filing date of the prior application(s) and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

(Application Serial No.) (Filing Date) (Status)

(Application Serial No.) (Filing Date) (Status)

Power of Attorney

As a named inventor, I hereby appoint all attorney associated with Customer Number 21003, including but not limited to Robert Neuter, Reg. No. 24,316; Richard G. Berkley, Reg. No. 25,465; Bradley B. Gcist, Reg. No. 27,551; James J. Maunc, Reg. No. 26,946; John D. Murnane, Reg. No. 29,836; Henry Tang, Reg. No. 29,705; Robert C. Scheinfeld, Reg. No. 31,300; John A. Fogarty, Jr., Reg. No. 22,348; Louis S. Sorell, Reg. No. 32,439; Rochelle K. Scide Reg. No. 32,300; Gary M. Butter, Reg. No. 33,841 and Gary Abelev, Reg. No. 40,479 of the firm of BAKER & BOTTS, L.L.P., with offices at 30 Rockefeller Plaza, New York, New York 10112, as attorneys to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith

| | |
|---|--|
| SEND CORRESPONDENCE TO: BAKER BOTTS L.L.P. 30 ROCKEFELLER PLAZA, NEW YORK, N.Y. 10112 CUSTOMER NUMBER: 21003 | DIRECT TELEPHONE CALLS TO: BAKER BOTTS L.L.P. (212) 408-2500 |
|---|--|

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both.

NY02:414713.1